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# **DURHAM CITY COUNCIL PRESENTATION**

*2021 Carbon Neutrality & Renewable Energy Action Plan*

October 18, 2021



# CITY OF DURHAM GOALS

## Durham City Council Approves Resolution

To transition **City Operations** to

- A supply of 80% renewable energy by 2030
- Achieve carbon neutrality in 2040
- Reach 100% renewable energy sourcing by 2050

# 2030

## Achieve Carbon Neutrality in City Operations

- Durham achieves carbon neutrality in City Operations by 2040

# 2050

## 100% Renewable Energy Sourcing

- Durham achieves 100% renewable energy sourcing for City Operations by 2050

# 2019

## 50% GHG Reductions 80% Renewable Energy Sourcing

- Durham achieves 50% reduction in Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions in City Operations by 2030 from the goal established in 2007 City of Durham and Durham County Local Action Plan for Emission Reductions
- Durham achieves 80% renewable energy sourcing for City Operations by 2030

# 2040



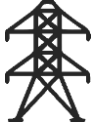
# CARBON NEUTRALITY & RENEWABLE ENERGY ACTION PLAN

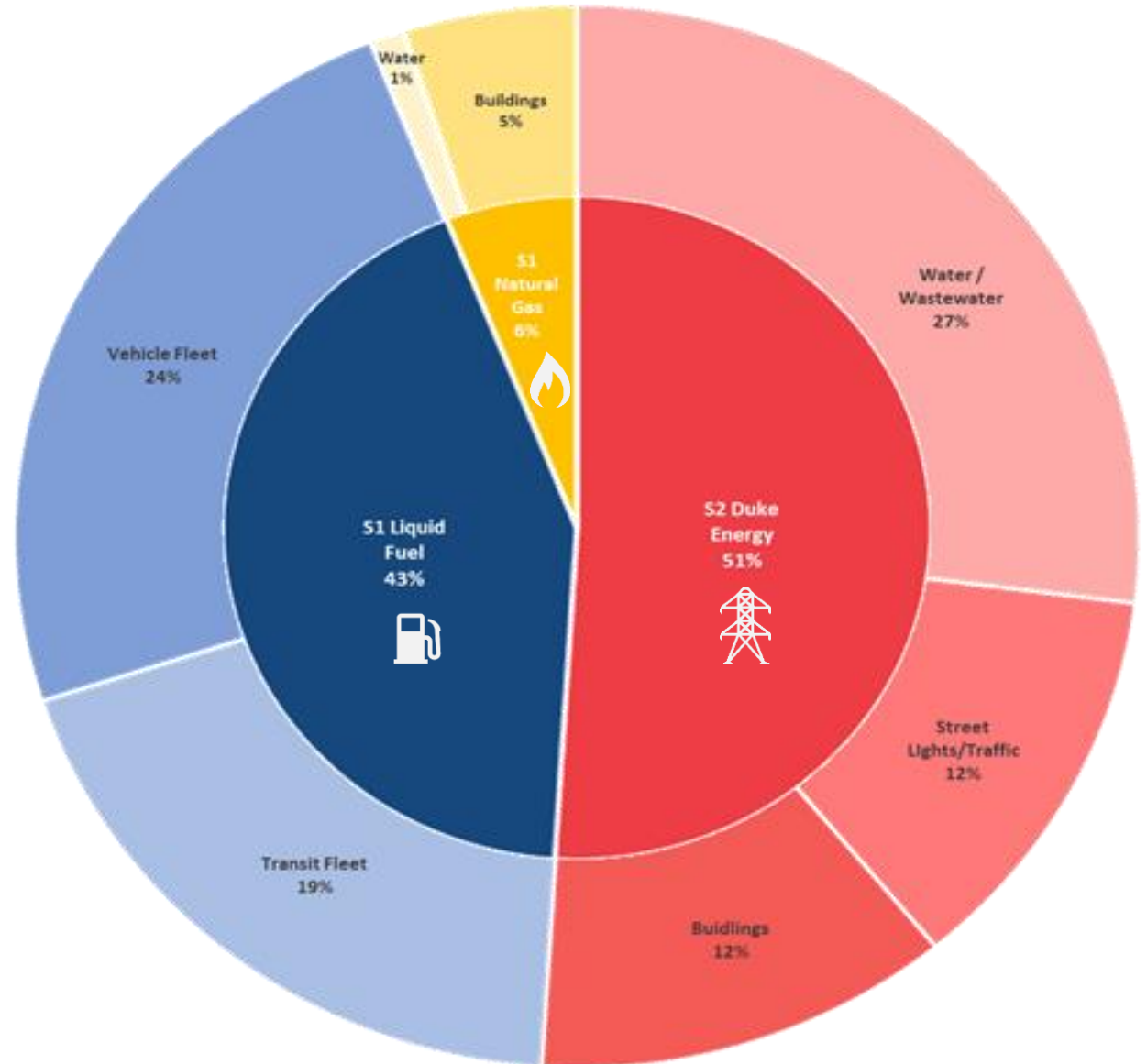
- **Carbon Neutrality Plan**
  - *Energy Efficiency Strategy*
  - *Electrification Strategy*
  - *Renewable Energy Strategy*
  - *Innovative Practices and Partnerships*
  - *Financial Considerations*
  - *Policy Assessment*
- **Renewable Energy Plan**
- **Implementation Recommendations**



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# DURHAM 2020 GREENHOUSE GASES (GHG) EMISSIONS

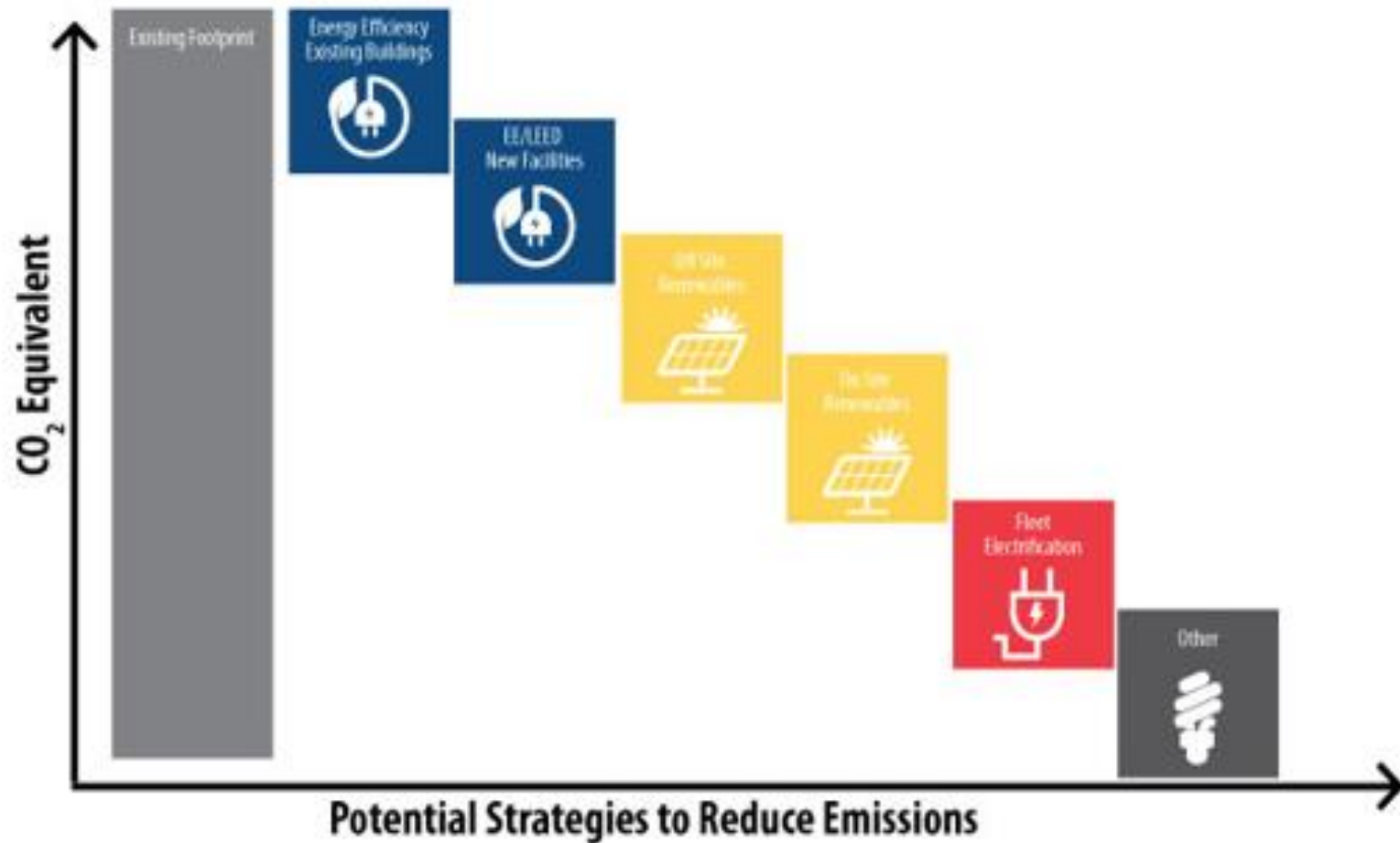
- **Scope 1**  
  - Vehicle Fleet
  - Transit Fleet
  - Natural Gas - Facilities
- **Scope 2** 
  - Water/Wastewater
  - Streetlights and Traffic Signals
  - Electricity - Buildings





# STRATEGIES TO ACHIEVE GOALS

1. Maximize **Energy Efficiency** in City Buildings and Operations
2. Expand **Renewable Energy** Generation and Procurement
3. Increase **Electrification** of City Buildings and Vehicles (Fleet & Transit)
4. Establish Innovative Practices and Partnerships



# #1 - ENERGY EFFICIENCY

- **Existing Facility Initiatives**
  - 8% of GHG Reductions
  - ASHRAE Audits
  - Facility Retrofits
  - Energy Management
- **New Construction Initiatives**
  - High Performance “Green” Building Standard
  - Include renewables, monitoring, and EV charging
- **Streetlight LED conversion**
  - 4% of GHG Reductions



## #2 - RENEWABLE ENERGY

### □ On-site

- 8% of GHG Reductions
- Solar – Rooftop and Landfill
- Biogas Combined Heat & Power (CHP)
- Geothermal

### □ Off-site

- 34% of GHG Reductions
- Large Scale Solar Procurement [Duke Energy Green Source Advantage Program (GSA)]





# #3 – ELECTRIFICATION

## Transportation Electrification (44% of GHG Reductions)

- ❑ **Transit Buses**
  - 17% of GHG Reductions
  - 57 Buses
- ❑ **Light Duty (Cars & Trucks)**
  - 15% of GHG Reductions
  - 671 Passenger Cars
  - 366 Light Duty Trucks
- ❑ **Paratransit Vehicles (Vans)**
  - 6% of GHG Reductions
  - 53 Paratransit Vehicles
- ❑ **Medium Duty/Heavy Duty (MD/HD)**
  - 6% of GHG Reductions
  - 45 Sanitation Trucks

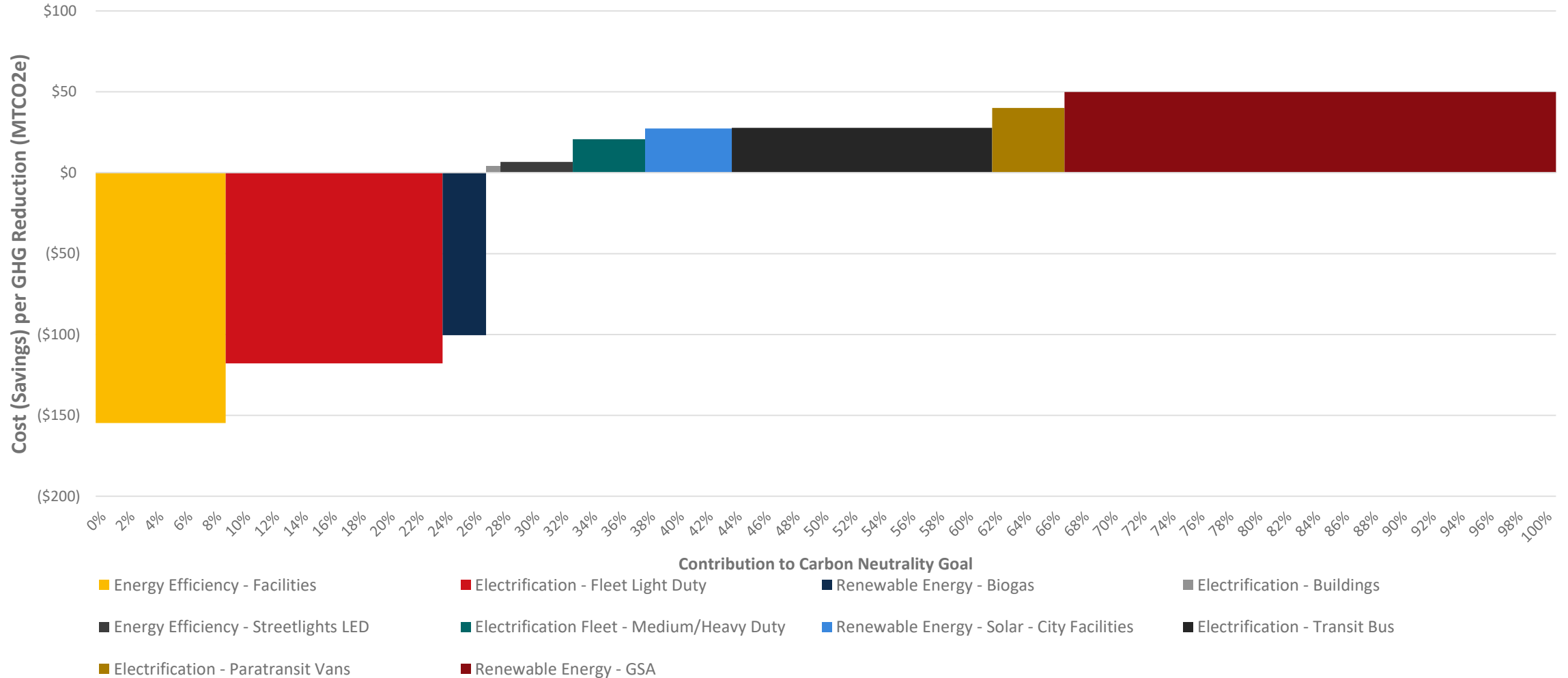
## Building Electrification

- ❑ **Building Retrofits**
  - 2% of GHG Reductions

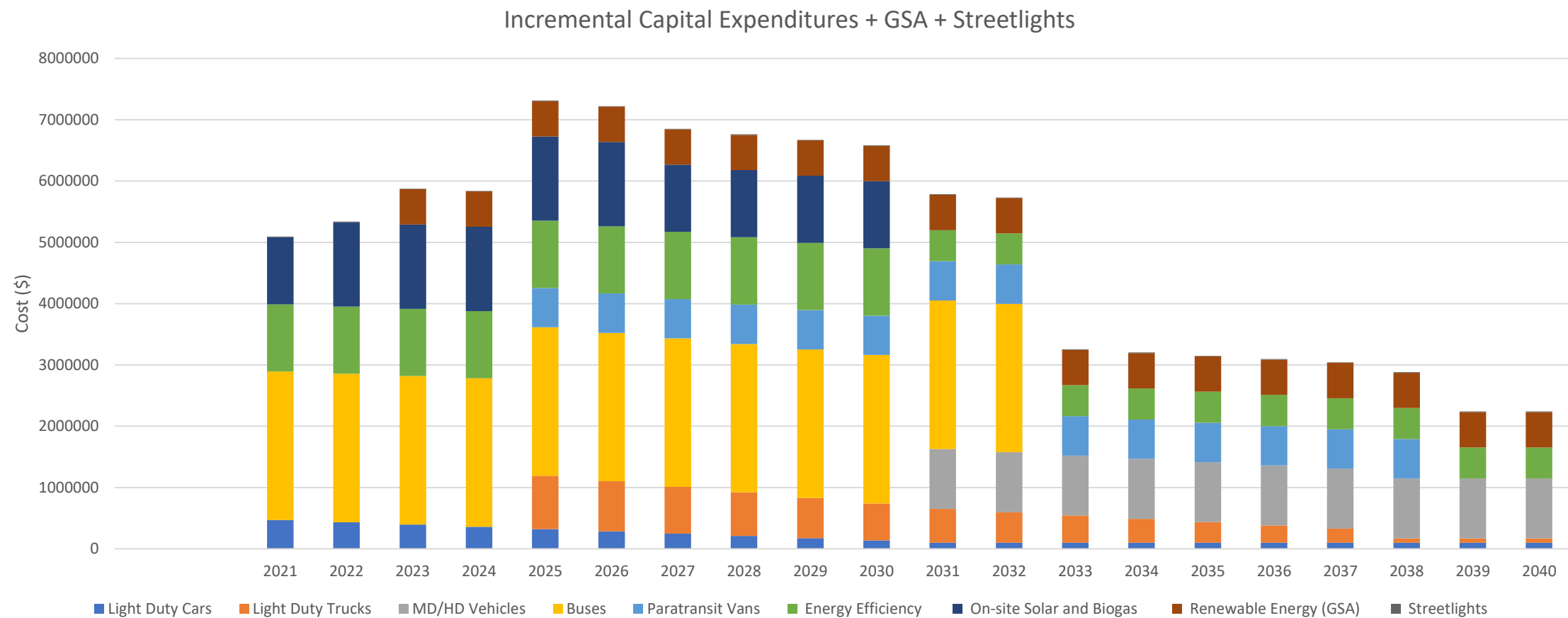




# 2040 GHG Supply Curve



# INCREMENTAL EXPENDITURES



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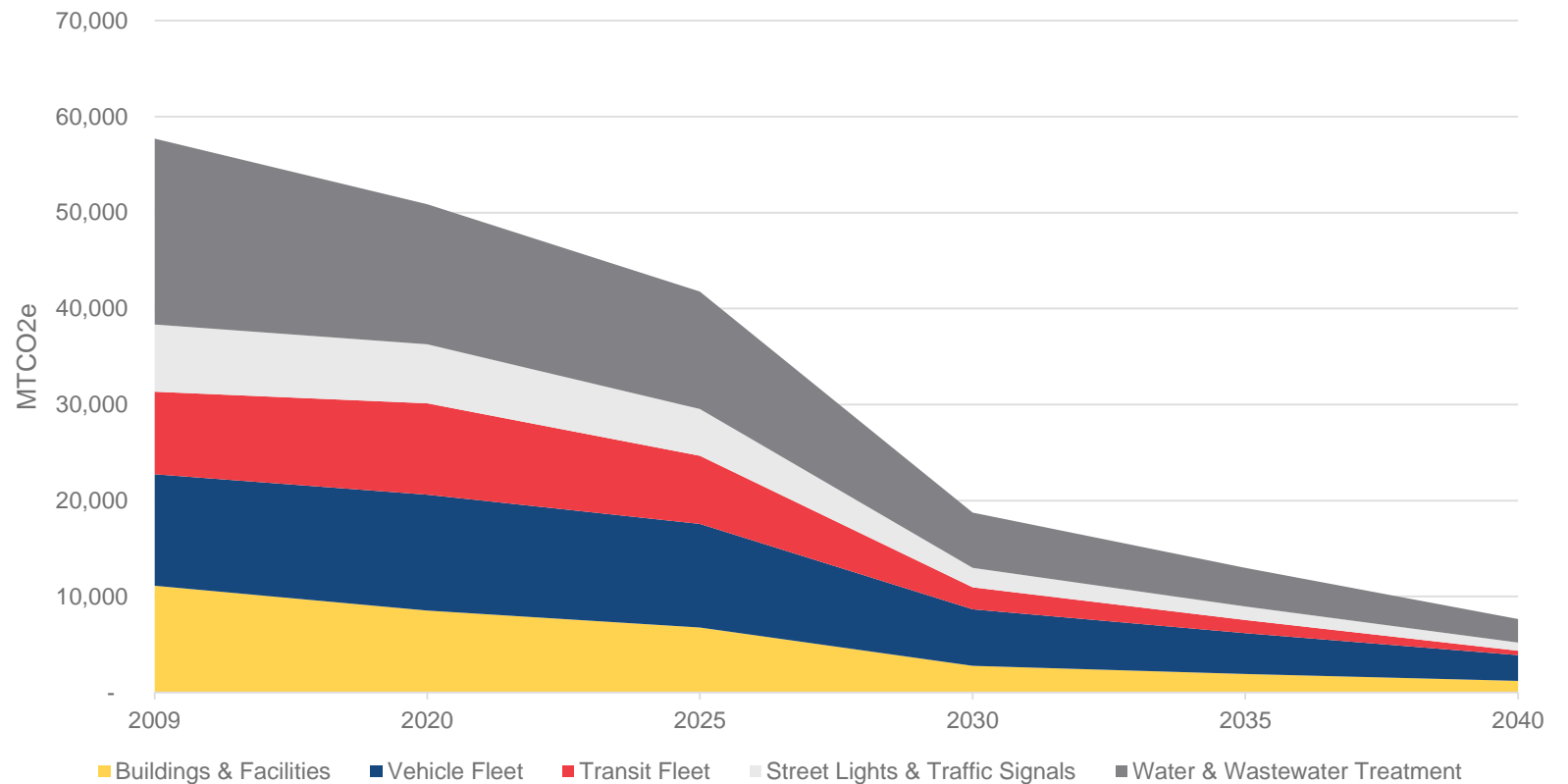
- ❑ **Pursue All Funding Options – Grants, Loans, Incentives, Rebates, etc.**
  - *Federal*
  - *State*
  - *Utility*
  - *Philanthropic*
  - *Other*
- ❑ **Evaluate Financing Mechanisms**
  - *Lease versus Buy Options*
  - *Public/Private Partnerships*
  - *Green Infrastructure Bonds*
  - *Other*
- ❑ **Monitor Policy Impacts**

ACTION ITEMS	2021 - 2040 Total Cap Ex	Total Savings or (Cost)	Net Cost or (Savings)
<b>INCREMENTAL CAPITAL ACTION ITEMS</b>			
<b>Transportation Electrification</b>			
Light Duty Cars & Trucks	\$ 11,385,650	\$ 17,453,980	\$ (6,068,330)
MD/HD Vehicles - Sanitation Truck	\$ 9,787,500	\$ 9,383,490	\$ 404,010
Transit Buses	\$ 29,070,000	\$ 27,093,072	\$ 1,976,928
Paratransit Vehicles (Vans)	\$ 8,983,500	\$ 8,433,800	\$ 549,700
<b>Building Electrification</b>	\$ 320,891	\$ 224,070	\$ 96,821
<b>Energy Efficiency</b>	\$ 16,054,163	\$ 19,683,594	\$ (3,629,431)
<b>Renewable Energy</b>			
Solar - City Facilities	\$ 10,950,464	\$ 9,854,280	\$ 1,096,184
Biogas	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 2,888,220	\$ (1,488,220)
<b>Incremental Capital Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 87,952,168</b>	<b>\$ 95,014,506</b>	<b>\$ (7,062,338)</b>
<b>INCREMENTAL NON CAPITAL ACTION ITEMS</b>			
<b>Streelight LED Conversion</b>	\$ -	\$ (195,500)	\$ 195,500
<b>Renewable Energy (Duke Energy GSA)</b>	\$ -	\$ (10,362,420)	\$ 10,362,420
	\$ -	\$ (10,557,920)	\$ 10,557,920
<b>TOTAL INCREMENTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 87,952,168</b>	<b>\$ 84,456,586</b>	<b>\$ 4,646,962</b>



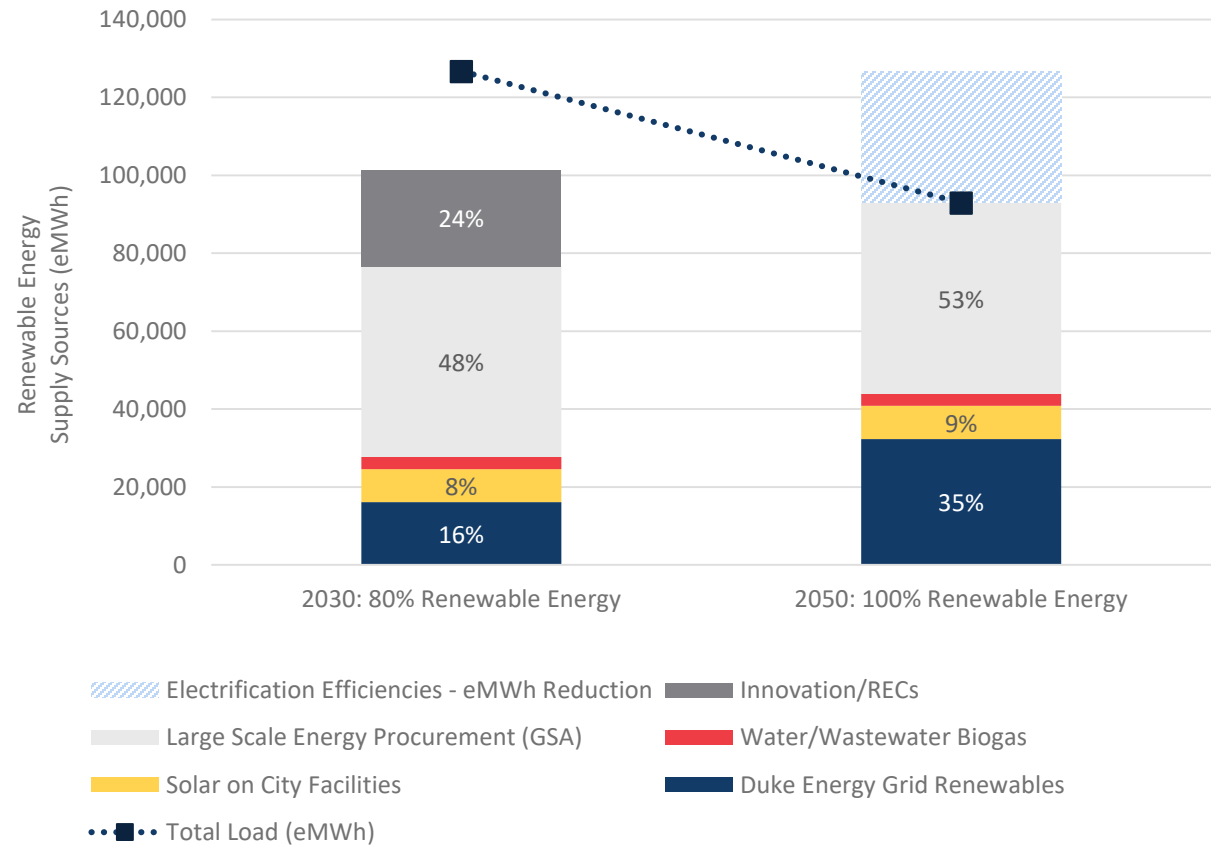
# CARBON NEUTRALITY GOAL

- Achieve 50% reduction by 2030
- Achieve 90% reduction by 2040
- Expect Technology, Economic, and Policy changes to impact plan

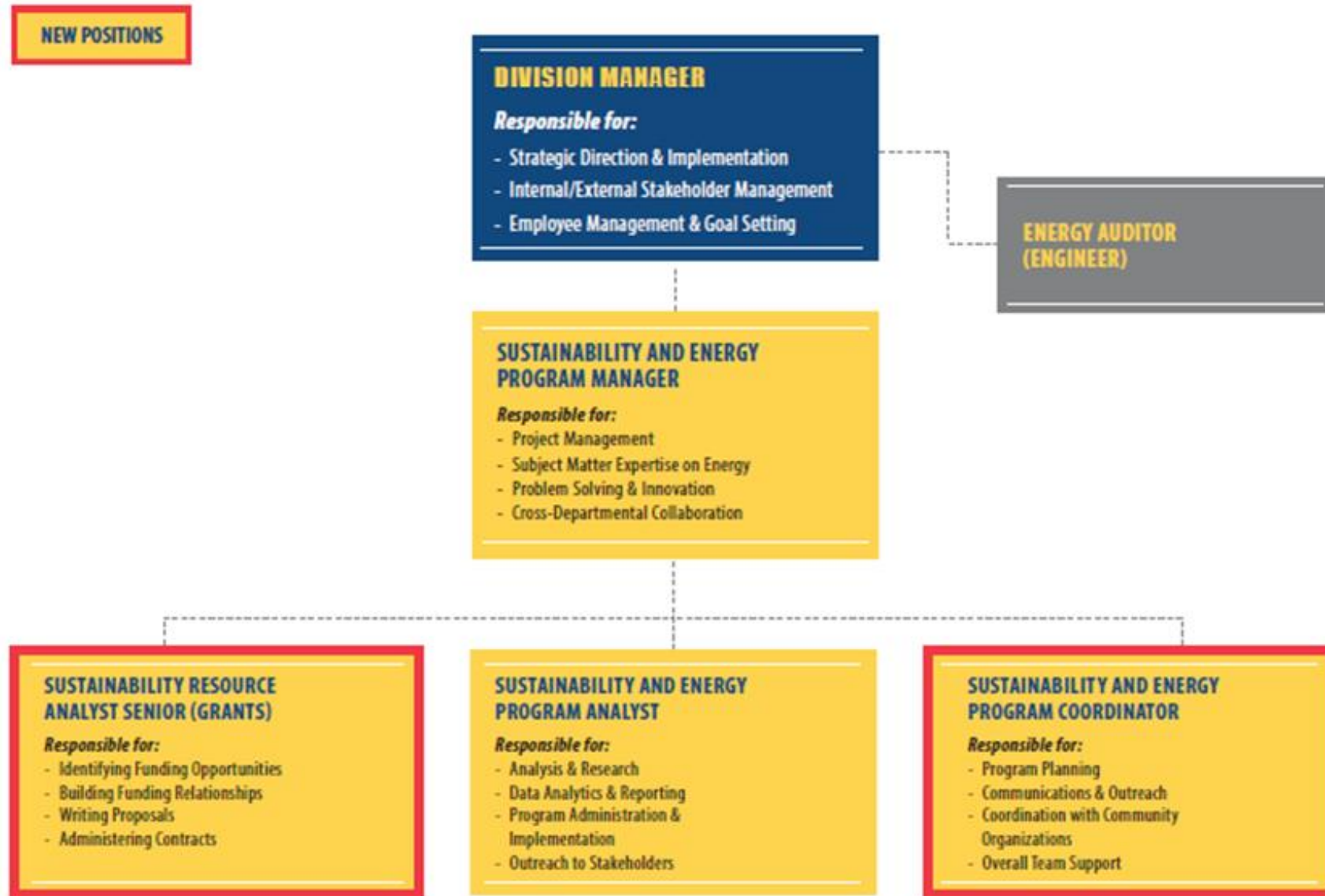


# RENEWABLE ENERGY GOAL

- Achieve 80% Renewable Energy Supply by 2030
- Achieve 100% Renewable Energy Supply by 2050



# SUSTAINABILITY STAFFING





## EAB SURVEY QUOTE

*“Everything Durham does, moving forward, should keep in mind environmental justice. The disadvantaged and marginalized should always be kept at the forefront of whatever plans are made -- we don't just want a greener future, we want a better future, for everyone.”*

- EAB Survey Respondent

# QUESTIONS

